



2015 OPEN ENTRY BOOK

WITH OFFICIAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

INDIANA STATE FAIR | 1202 E. 38TH St. | Indianapolis, IN 46205-2869

Premises ID# 00C6T69

Fairgrounds: 317.927.7500 | Fax: 317-927-7578

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Entry Department Information

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Entry Department Hours

Monday – Thursday: 9am – 4pm

Friday: 9am – 12pm

Saturday – Sunday: CLOSED

Hours differ Aug. 7-23, 2015

SAFETY & SECURITY TERMS AND CONDITIONS

All emergencies, safety concerns and suspicious activity should be reported immediately to the Indiana State Fair Operations Center at (317) 927-7520.

Prohibited Items

- Except as state law permits, no alcoholic beverages may be sold or purchased, brought on, or consumed on the Fairgrounds during the annual Indiana State Fair. (Indiana Administrative Code, Title 80, Section 4-4-3).
- No person in possession of a deadly weapon shall be permitted onto or be permitted to remain on the Fairgrounds during the Indiana State Fair. Any person properly licensed to carry a firearm must secure the firearm in a locked compartment of his/her vehicle and it shall not be visible to passersby (Indiana Administrative Code, Title 80, Section 4-4-4).

Animal Policies & Procedures

- The ONLY animals permitted on the Fairgrounds during the Indiana State Fair are: animals registered, boarded or entered for exhibition, show or other competition; animals that will be used in a scheduled performance or to perform work at the Fair; law enforcement animals and service animals. Household and family pets, whether domestic or wild, and service animals not recognized by the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Section 36.104 are not permitted on the Fairgrounds during the Indiana State Fair. No person in possession of or having control over an unauthorized animal shall be permitted onto or be permitted to remain on the Fairgrounds (Indiana Administrative Code, Title 80, Section 4-4-5).
- Animals entered for exhibition, show or competition and animals scheduled to perform must remain in approved areas at all times. See individual department terms and conditions for specific information.

General Safety Policies & Procedures

- Smoking is not permitted inside barns and buildings. Smoking is only permitted in designated areas on the Fairgrounds.
- Cameras are located throughout the Fairgrounds for security and promotional purposes.
- Motorized vehicles, including golf cars, are not permitted in any barns or buildings. This does not apply to personal mobility devices. A valid State issued driver's license is required to operate a motorized vehicle including a golf cart on the Fairgrounds (Indiana Administrative Code, Title 80, Section 4-3-5).
- Electric and gas-powered generators are not permitted on the Fairgrounds.
- Fans are permitted, so long as they have proper safety-approved shrouds. See individual department requirements pertaining to size, allowable number, and placement of fans.
- Tents and other temporary structures are not permitted to be erected inside or outside barns and buildings without permission of the Indiana State Fair. This includes pop-up tents and tarps located in or adjacent to livestock barns.

Fire Safety

- The Indiana State Fire Marshal's Office conducts regular inspections of all barns and buildings during the Indiana State Fair to identify any potential fire hazards or threats to life safety. **The decisions of the fire marshal are final and will be enforced.**
- Fire extinguishers are located throughout every barn and building. They may be used for approved purposes only. Do not use a fire extinguisher if you are not trained on its proper use.
- Most buildings and barns are equipped with fire alarm and/or fire suppression systems. In the event of a fire, these systems should be activated.
- Emergency exits are clearly marked in all barns and buildings. In the event of an emergency, calmly evacuate through the nearest accessible emergency exit.
- Do not store tack/supplies in aisle or in front of exit door

Severe Weather

- In the event of severe weather impacting the Fairgrounds, be it a severe thunderstorm or tornado, you will receive instructions over the barn or building public address system. If the barn or building is not equipped with a public address system, State Fair staff will notify people in person.
- During a severe weather situation, you will be asked to remain inside, away from windows and doors whenever possible. Staff will be instructed to close all doors and windows, including overhead doors.
- Larger barns and buildings will be used for shelter-in-place (points of refuge) to allow Fairgoers to seek shelter. This may cause an influx of people into livestock areas. Exhibitors should be mindful of this and tend to their animals accordingly.

Food Preparation/Cooking Policies & Procedures

- Cooking inside and adjacent to barns and buildings should be kept to a minimum and in designated areas only. The Indiana State Fair Biosecurity plan recommends that food be excluded from animal areas. If cooking and/or food preparation is necessary, the following policies and procedures must be followed:
- Cooking devices that use open flames, including charcoal and gas grills, exposed heating elements and non-electric power/ fuel sources are **NOT** permitted inside or outside barns or buildings.
- Approved cooking devices are limited to crockpots, or similar slow cookers, and microwave ovens. Cooking devices **MUST** have a cover approved for use with the device and comply with all applicable electrical and fire codes. Cooking devices are also required to be powered by approved cords that are not frayed or malfunctioning in any way.

Exhibitors cooking in the barns and buildings do so at their own risk and assume liability for their actions concerning food contamination from pathogens that may be present in or near livestock area.

Extension Cords

- Extension Cords shall not be a substitute for permanent wiring. IFC 2012 (605.4.1)
- Extension Cords shall not be affixed to structures. IFC 2012 (605.5)
- Extension Cords shall not extend through walls, ceilings or floors. IFC 2012 (605.5)
- Extension Cords must not be buried under carpet or animal bedding

Multi-plug Adapter/Power Strip

- Multi-plug adapter(s) are prohibited. (IFC 2012 (605.4)
- Power strip(s) shall be grounded and be equipped with overcurrent protection. IFC 2012 (605.4.1)
- Power strip shall be directly connected to an electrical outlet (no piggy-backing). IFC 2012 (605.4.2)
- Power strip cords shall not extend through walls, ceilings or floors. IFC 2012 (605.4.3)

Animal Wellness & Care

The Animal Wellness & Care Plan (AWAC) was established to reinforce the Indiana State Fair's strong value and belief in the proper treatment of all animals in exhibition. The Indiana State Fair holds exhibitors of the various species of animals being exhibited to the highest standards in wellness, care and ethics of exhibition. The AWAC is responsible for ensuring the most up to date standards as well as to be a source for the public to seek answers to their questions relating to the health and safety of the animals involved in the Indiana State Fair.

Biosecurity

The Indiana State Fair Biosecurity Plan was developed to prevent the outbreak of diseases carried by both animals and humans that spread pathogens that can be transmitted to and from farm animals, as well as through the food supply. Many of these diseases and pathogens can be prevented through maintaining the cleanliness of facilities and encouraging good hygiene. The Biosecurity Plan will be enforced during the Indiana State Fair and all exhibitors are required to comply with it.

**All exhibitors must be familiar with and abide by the terms and conditions of the Indiana State Fair.
Failure to do so may result in loss of the privilege to exhibit at the State Fair and/or ejection from the Fairgrounds.**

GENERAL TERMS & CONDITIONS

GENERAL PRINCIPLES

1. In the interest of all exhibitors, the Indiana State Fair Board, the agriculture industry, and all breeders of livestock, the following general terms, conditions and listing of prohibited activities are presented to maintain, insure and present a wholesome, high quality educational program. As the showcase of Indiana, it is imperative to promote and allow only ethical behavior by exhibitors at the Indiana State Fair.
2. **The Indiana State Fair Board reserves the final and absolute right to interpret any and all terms and conditions, contained in any and all parts of the Handbook/Premium List and to unilaterally settle and determine all matters, questions or differences in regard thereto, or otherwise arising out of, connected with, or incidental to the Indiana State Fair. They further reserve the right to resolve unforeseen matters not covered by general or Department terms and conditions published in the Handbook/Premium List, to amend or add to these terms and conditions as in its judgment it may determine, and to withdraw all premium offerings in all Departments should any emergency exist and circumstances demand.**
3. Fraud, deception, any prohibited activities, or violations of general or Departmental terms and conditions, or any activity determined to be improper or unethical by the Board or Department Superintendent shall not be allowed. Any exhibitor found in violation is subject to sanction and/or disqualification.
4. **TAMPERING, ALTERING, AND/OR MISREPRESENTATION** relative to any exhibit is prohibited. This prohibited activity includes but is not limited to breeding, age, ownership, and/or method of preparation or completion.
(For example, with animal exhibits this includes, but is not limited to, coloring that alters or misrepresents breed characteristics, pumping, and filling).
5. **UNETHICAL FITTING OF ANIMAL EXHIBITS** is defined as the administration of any substance (to include, but not limited to, drugs, blood, oils, steroids, air, chemical substances) or performance of any surgical or nonsurgical procedure altering the animal's configuration or natural conformation of any part of the animal's body, or rendering its tissues unfit for human consumption and is prohibited. Exceptions that are allowed to 1 and 2 above include hoof trimming, dehorning, removal of hair, castration, branding, tattooing, ear notching, docking of tails on sheep and swine and coloring or manipulation of normally attached hair that does not alter or misrepresent breed characteristics or the animals configuration or natural conformation.
6. No Exhibitor may take exception to the decisions of an official and/or judge in an unprofessional and/or public manner nor shall any exhibitor or person representing the exhibitor interfere with or show disrespect to any judge or show official.
7. No alcoholic beverage shall be consumed on the Fairgrounds except as permitted under state law. In no event may any alcoholic beverage be consumed in Fairgrounds lodging.
8. No person in possession of a deadly weapon shall be permitted onto or be permitted to remain on the Fair- grounds; any person properly licensed to carry a firearm must secure the firearm in a locked compartment of his/her vehicle and it shall not be visible to passersby (Indiana Administrative Code 80-4-4-4).
9. The **ONLY** animals permitted on the Fairgrounds are: animals registered, boarded, entered for, or that will be registered, boarded or entered for exhibition, show or other competition at the State Fair; animals that will be used in a scheduled performance or to perform work at the State Fair; law enforcement animals and service animals. No person in possession of or having control over an unauthorized animal shall be permitted onto or be permitted to remain on the Fairgrounds (Indiana Administrative Code 80-4-4-5).

PREMISES ID

10. The Indiana State Fair requires all Indiana Exhibitors to provide the Indiana State Board of Animal Health required Premises ID number on all entry forms for beef and dairy cattle, goats, swine and sheep. Indiana exhibitors of horses, poultry, llamas and alpacas as well as out of state exhibitors will be requested to voluntarily provide Premises ID numbers. To obtain a Premises ID #, please contact the Indiana State Board of Animal Health at 877-747-3038. Information can be found on the Indiana State Board of Animal Health website at www.in.gov/boah.

DETERMINATION OF VIOLATIONS OF TERMS AND CONDITIONS

11. The Livestock Manager assigned by the Indiana State Fair Board to the Department where a violation of any term or condition established for the Indiana State Fair is reported to have occurred prior to, during or after judging shall make an initial determination as to whether a violation has occurred upon determining a violation has occurred, the Livestock Manager shall make a determination as to the appropriate penalty to impose upon the violating person(s). The Livestock Manager may choose to impose one, all, or a combination of the following penalties.

PENALTIES

12. The exhibitor in question is disqualified and forfeits all entry and other fees and all premiums, trophies, and awards from the Department.
13. Any or all State Fair premiums, trophies and awards won by an exhibitor in any and all State Fair Departments shall be withdrawn and required to be returned to the State Fair. All entry and other fees are forfeited.
14. The exhibitor and/or his/her immediate family shall be barred from State Fair competition for a period determined by the Livestock Manager that may include up to a lifetime.
15. The Livestock Manager may impose any other penalty deemed appropriate.

DUE PROCESS

The following due process rights and right of appeal shall be utilized.

16. The Livestock Manager shall notify the exhibitor in writing of the violation and penalty imposed within 15 days of the determination of a violation.
17. Within 15 days of receipt of written notification, the exhibitor may appeal the decision in writing to the Indiana State Fair Board. The written appeal must be delivered to the office of the State Fair Board within the 15 days.
18. Within 15 days of receipt of the written appeal, the Livestock Manager may rescind his/her initial determination. No further determination as to the reported violation may be subsequently made by the Director. The exhibitor shall have no further remedy available upon the rescission of the initial determination.
19. Should the Livestock Manager take no action on the appeal within 15 days from the date of receipt in the office of the Fair Board, a date will be set by the Indiana State Fair Board for a hearing on the appeal and the exhibitor will be notified in writing.
20. The State Fair Board shall appoint a hearing officer.
21. Within 15 days of the conclusion of the hearing, the hearing officer shall submit to the Board his/her findings and a recommended final determination as to the reported violation(s), penalties and the exhibitor's appeal.
22. Upon receiving the recommendations of the hearing officer, the Board shall take action upon the recommendation and adopt a final determination at its' next regularly scheduled meeting. The exhibitor will be given a written copy of the Board's adopted findings and final determination.

GRIEVANCE

23. Within twenty-four (24) hours of observing any suspected infraction, Exhibitors competing in an Open Class competition shall personally present a Grievance Form (found at page 9) to the Entry Office in the Communications Building. No other persons have standing to present a Grievance Form. In all cases of grievance affecting an exhibitor, the statement must be verified.
24. A grievance must also be personally presented to the Livestock Manager in the department where the exhibit is being judged (or Entry Office) within 24 hours of the occurrence of the suspected infraction for all livestock activities and prior to the official closing of the State Fair (5 pm the last Sunday of the Fair) for all other activities. In the event a grievance is presented after judging has begun on the item or activity in question, the judging will proceed and the grievance will be handled as if the grievance were presented following the judging.
25. A grievance must be presented in writing, verified and accompanied by a \$500 cash or money order made out to the Indiana State Fair. The grievance must state the name of the exhibitor, the exhibit and class in question, the specific reason for ineligibility and the terms and conditions that govern the case.
26. The \$500 will be returned if the grievance is upheld. The \$500 will be forfeited to the State Fair if the grievance is not sustained.
27. The Livestock Manager shall notify in writing, within 15 days of receiving the grievance, the person(s) submitting the grievance as to his/her determination of the validity of the grievance and the actions taken as a result of upholding the grievance. If the grievance is denied, the notifications shall state the reasons for denial.
28. The person(s) submitting the grievance shall have the due process rights set forth in the Due Process section of this Entry Book.

JUDGES AND JUDGING

29. The awards will be made by judges who are to be selected by the Livestock Manager.
30. The time at which the judges will pass upon the different classes is determined by the Livestock Manager. All exhibition times are subject to change without announcement.
31. Any exhibit not presented promptly when called will be ruled out.
32. The judge, must, if any attempt be made by an exhibitor or his agent to interfere with or influence his decision, report the fact at once to the Livestock Manager.
33. An exhibitor who removes a placing ribbon, or authorizes another person to do so, in the presence of the judge, or in any manner insults the judge, shall

forfeit all premiums, and be excluded from exhibiting, and the Fair Board may impose any additional penalty it so desires.

34. **REGARDLESS OF THE NUMBER OF ENTRIES IN EACH CLASS BY ONE EXHIBITOR, ONLY TWO PREMIUMS WILL BE PAID IN ANY OF THE SINGLE CLASSES AND ONLY ONE PREMIUM IN ANY OF THE GROUP CLASSES.**
35. Judges shall not award prizes to unworthy exhibits, whether there is competition or not, nor shall they award premiums on articles incorrectly entered or incorrectly named.

APPEALS FROM DECISIONS OF JUDGES

36. The right of an exhibitor to appeal the decision of a judge will exist only when it is charged that the award has been made in violation of the terms and conditions governing the exhibit, or when it is charged that the decision of the judges has been influenced or interfered with by another person.
37. The appellant must give verbal notice to the Livestock Manager in which the judging occurred within 2 hours of the judging. The written appeal as described below must be received within 24 hours of the verbal notice. The written appeal must be given to the Livestock Manager.
38. Appeals from the decision of a judge must be made in writing and must contain at least one specific charge, stating at length the facts relied upon and the term and condition violated, and naming witnesses and their addresses by whom proof is to be made.
39. The Livestock Manager shall notify the exhibitor in writing within 15 days of receipt of the appeal as to their findings and actions resulting therein.
40. The exhibitor shall have the due process rights forth in the Due Process section of the Handbook/Premium List.

PREMIUMS

41. **PREMIUM CHECKS WILL BE MAILED IN OCTOBER FOR ALL DEPARTMENTS.**
42. Premiums will be paid according to official judges result sheets and payable to exhibitor name as entered.
43. To expedite delivery of premiums, any exhibitor receiving \$600.00 or more in monetary awards will be required to provide the Indiana State Fair with a completed IRS Form W-9 (W-8BEN for foreign exhibitors) providing a taxpayer identification number. Failure to provide this information will result in the forfeiture of all premium monies. Forms may be picked up at the Barn Offices, at the Entry Office in the Communications Building, or found on the IRS website www.irs.gov.
44. Questions and/or discrepancies noted in issued premium checks must be addressed to the Indiana State Fair Entry Department prior to **December 1, 2015** for resolution. Premium records will be considered closed on **December 1, 2014** and any exhibitor right of protest or re-issue is thereafter relinquished. A \$35.00 handling charge will be subtracted from a replacement check if check is lost, shredded, not cashed timely etc. **PREMIUM CHECKS MUST BE CASHED WITHIN 90 DAYS OF RECEIPT.**

NSF CHECKS

45. A \$35.00 handling charge will be added to all checks returned as non-sufficient funds.
46. Any exhibitor not redeeming a non-sufficient funds check will be ineligible to show and/or forfeit all premiums and awards won.
47. An exhibitor with any NSF check not redeemed by the entry deadline(s) will be assessed all applicable late fees.
48. NSF checks are not re-deposited.

NONAMBULATORY DECEASED ANIMAL POLICY

49. The Indiana State Fair will not unload animals that are nonambulatory (i.e. downer) or unable to walk off the vehicle under their own power. The exception to this policy will be unloading the animal for euthanizing and disposing of the animal. If an animal becomes nonambulatory after arrival at the Indiana State Fairgrounds then the following policy will be strictly enforced:
 - a. The owner shall immediately notify the director in charge of that department.
 - b. The director shall immediately notify the State Fair veterinarian. Chairperson of the Indiana State Fair Board about the animal in question and circumstances evolving around how this condition happened.
 - c. The State Fair veterinarian, Department Superintendent, Livestock Manager, the Indiana State Fair Director of Fair Executive Producer and the owner (or representative) will consult each other to come to the best decision for the animal with the emphasis being for the well-being of the animal. If the animal in question is a Open entry, the Director of Extension or their representative will also be involved with this decision. Only the persons that are available need to be involved in the decision. If euthanasia is determined to be the best option, this will be at the owner's expense.
 - d. Livestock that becomes nonambulatory after arriving at the Indiana State Fairgrounds must be disposed of or removed for treatment within 12 hours of discovering or receiving notice of the animal's condition. If the animal is treatable and the above committee agrees, the owner must remove that animal from the fairgrounds (at the owner's expense) within the 12 hour period.
50. In the event of an animal dying while at the Indiana State Fairgrounds, the animal's owner(s) is/are responsible to remove its carcass from the grounds. The timetable is as follows, remove from the building or display area within 30 minutes to either their vehicle or a designated location. The owner then has up to four (4) hours to remove the carcass from the grounds to a proper disposal site at the owner's expense. If necessary fairgrounds staff will assist in loading the carcass into the owner's vehicle.

EXHIBITOR INFORMATION

FAIRGROUNDS ADMISSION

- General admission, adults — \$12
- Children, five (5) years old and under, accompanied by an adult - FREE
- General Parking on Fairgrounds \$5.00 per day (when available) during the 2015 Fair (Aug. 7-23).

ENTRY INFORMATION

- Entry Instructions -
- Online Entry – www.indianastatefair.com (Competitions>4-H/Open). Online entry requires credit card payment (accepting Visa, MasterCard, Discover, American Express).
- Indiana State Fair entries will not be processed without complete information, proper signatures and appropriate payment. Make sure that all of the information requested is completed correctly. Double check your total fee to make sure your check or money order is correct and enclosed.
- Entry Deadline – Please refer to individual departments for entry deadlines.
- Entry Fees – Please see individual departments for entry fees.
- Refunds - Entry Fees, late fees, processing fees and overpayments will not be refunded. If one check pays for more than one Open member's entries and any entry is incorrect, the correct entries will be processed and the check will be deposited. The fees for the incorrect entries will be considered an overpayment on the correct entries. The incorrect entries will be returned to the exhibitor. After correction, the entries must be returned with entry fee as directed by the Entry Office will be subject to applicable late fees.
- Entry Form Revisions - Substitutions may be made within the same section, unless stated otherwise in departmental terms and conditions, provided the same number of entries is maintained as was entered on the original entry form, (i.e. If eight (8) exhibits are on the original entry form, you are limited to 8 entries, without paying a late fee). If a new section is entered, this is a new entry with all applicable fees. Any exhibit entered on an original entry form may be added any class for which it is eligible. Classes designated as group classes (containing more than one animal) can be entered without additional fees, provided the animals in the group are entered in individual classes.
- Check-in Entries – Entries will be accepted at Check-in, however, there will be an additional late fee of \$100.
- NSF Checks – A \$35.00 handling charge will be added to all checks returned as non-sufficient funds. Any exhibitor not redeeming a non-sufficient funds check will be ineligible to show and/or forfeit all premiums and awards won. An exhibitor with any NSF check not redeemed by the entry deadline(s) will be assessed all applicable late fees. NSF checks are not re-deposited.
- Premises ID # - The Indiana State Fair requires all Indiana Livestock Exhibitors to provide the Indiana State Board of Animal Health required Premises ID number on all entry forms for the following departments: Beef Cattle, Dairy Cattle, Goats, Sheep and Swine. Indiana Exhibitors of Horses, Poultry, Llamas and Alpacas as well as out of state exhibitors will be requested to voluntarily provide Premises ID numbers. To obtain a Premises ID #, please contact the Indiana State Board of Animal Health at 877-747-3038. Information can be also found on the Indiana State Board of Animal Health website (www.in.gov/boah).
- All 4-H animal exhibitors must be officially enrolled at the county level and subject to verification of county enrollment to be eligible to exhibit at the Indiana State Fair.
- 4-H animals do not need to be county winners to qualify as a State Fair entry; however, exhibitors must have satisfactorily fulfilled the county requirements.
- No livestock will be released until all fees, including those for veterinary service, have been paid in full.
- Advertising – Commercial advertisement names or insignia, farm names and family names on 4-H exhibitors or exhibits while showing is prohibited. Distribution or posting of flyers, advertisements or posters are prohibited from being hung in the Coliseum, Youth Arena or any other building, except for those in preapproved areas.

EXHIBITOR ADMISSION

- Exhibitor Tickets - \$8.00 (limit 30 per exhibitor)
- If more than 30 tickets are needed, you can purchase them online at www.indianastatefair.com.
- All exhibitors entering the Fairgrounds or picking up exhibits on or after Friday, August 7, are required to pay admission or have an exhibitor ticket to give to the gate attendant.
- Pass Outs - Any exhibitor leaving the Fairgrounds that wishes to return on the same day must obtain a hand stamp from the gate attendant or pay admission to re-enter. This policy will be strictly enforced. Pass outs are not permitted after 8pm.

EXHIBITOR PARKING

- During the entry process, you will pay a department fee. The department fee includes the appropriate parking pass for the department(s) that you have entered.
- Please see the individual department's terms and conditions for more information on parking, gate entrance, etc.

ASSIGNMENT OF STALLS

- Assignment of stalls will be made by department personnel.
- Alteration or removal of stall or pen structures – Exhibitors are required to notify and obtain approval from show personnel to alter any assigned stall(s) or pen structure(s), or any part thereof. If an Exhibitor does not seek and obtain such approval, the Exhibitor shall indemnify and hold harmless the Indiana State Fair Board and the Indiana State Fair Commission for any damage to person or property that results from such alteration or removal.
- Feed and Bedding of good quality will be available for exhibitors to purchase at reasonable prices. The Indiana State Fair will not furnish these items. The selling of feed or bedding is strictly prohibited, with the exception of the approved Indiana State Fair vendor.

SCHEDULES

- Arrival/Check-in/Show Schedules – Please see individual departments for arrival/check-in/show times.
- Exhibitors and animals must arrive before the end of their scheduled check-in time, if animals are entered in another Fair, they may arrive later than the specified arrival time. The Department Superintendent needs to be notified of this in advance.

LOSS OR DAMAGE

- It is mutually agreed that the Indiana State Fair assumes no liability for any loss of property or any claim for personal injury, including death. The exhibitor herein agrees to release, discharge and indemnify the Indiana State Fair Commission, its component members, and their successors from liability by reason of injury to property and/or persons, including death, which may occur within or upon the premises herein described in any manner

connected with use thereof by exhibitor.

CAMPGROUNDS TERMS AND CONDITIONS

1. Spaces in the Indiana State Fair 46th Street Campgrounds will be reserved on a first come-first serve basis. The charge for a camping spot will be \$35.00 per day (this price includes 7% sales tax). In order to reserve a spot, full payment is required in advance. Reservations are required.
Check-out time is 1 pm.
2. Reservations will not be accepted until May 1, 2015
3. These terms and conditions apply to the 46th Street campground located south of 46th Street. Spaces will be assigned according to trailer length and electrical needs. Reservation is for the sleeping unit only. Reservation of a space does NOT guarantee enough room to park any vehicles on reserved lot. All vehicles should be parked in the 46th Street parking lot adjacent to the camping area. All other vehicles must park in designated areas. Any vehicle in violation of the condition will be towed at the owner's expense. In addition, all campers should come prepared with a 25' of water and sewer hose and 25' of electrical cord to reach connections.
4. The request to reserve camping spots along with full payment must be submitted to the Concession Office, Indiana State Fair Commission, 1202 E. 38th Street, Indianapolis, IN 46205. Questions concerning camping should be directed to the Concession Office at (317) 927-7510.

230: Indiana Brewers' Cup

Master of Championship of Amateur Brewing (MCAB) Qualifying Event
Midwest Home Brewer of the Year Circuit Event



Indiana Brewers' Cup Department Staff:

Tom Stilabower – Chairman
Anita Johnson – Advisor
Nathan Compton – Competition Coordinator
Tim Seger – Competition Coordinator
Cassandra Gilford – Reception Coordinator
Sandy Cockerham – Judge Coordinator

Indiana Brewers' Cup Terms & Conditions

1. **Indiana State Fair General Terms and Conditions** – By entering exhibits at the Indiana State Fair, you agree to the Indiana State Fair General Terms and Conditions on page 4.
2. **Indiana Brewers' Cup Department Terms and Conditions** – Please read the Indiana Brewers' Cup Department Terms and Conditions, as well as each section's terms and conditions. It is the responsibility of the exhibitor to be familiar with and understand all terms and conditions concerning exhibition.
3. **Conflict of Terms and Conditions** – In the event of conflict between general and departmental terms and conditions, the latter will govern.
4. **Exhibitor Qualifications** – Any Home Brewer or Professional Brewery can enter into the Indiana State Fair Brewers' Cup.
5. **Disqualifications** – Any item that is disqualified will not be displayed during the Indiana State Fair. Any entry that is deemed offensive or inappropriate will be disqualified.
6. **Disputes** – Should any dispute arise, the Indiana State Fair Executive Producer or Program and Exhibits Manager reserves the right to determine the proper resolution.
7. **Style Guidelines** – Beer categories, style guidelines, judging procedures and contest terms and conditions for the Indiana State Fair Brewers' Cup have been adopted with permission from the 2008 version of the Beer Judge Certification Program (BJCP) at www.bjcp.org/stylecenter.php.
8. **Judging** – Entries will be judged according to the 2008 version of the Beer Judge Certification Program (BJCP) style guidelines at www.bjcp.org/stylecenter.php. Categories are designated by numbers and subcategories are designated with letters. Beers are judged according to style guidelines for the subcategory as listed by the entrant in the entry registration system. If you need to modify an entry, please contact Indiana State Fair Program and Exhibits Manager – Ashleigh Burakiewicz (317.927.7540 or ab@indianastatefair.com)
9. **Modifications** – The Indiana State Fair Indiana Brewers' Cup Department reserves the right to modify categories and/or subcategories to create a flight for judging and prize purposes.

Entry Information

1. All entries must be made in accordance with the terms and conditions.
2. To ensure the competition in general and the adjudication process in particular are managed in the most effective and efficient way possible, the 2014 Indiana Brewers' Cup is limited to 1,300 total entries of which 800 entries can be from Home Brewers and 500 entries can be Professional Brewers. The Indiana State Fair Commission reserves the right to alter these limits.
3. **Online Entry** – To enter into the Indiana State Fair, please go to www.indianastatefair.com and enter online. Competitions > Indiana Brewers' Cup > Online Entry and follow the prompts. Each exhibitor is required to pay an entry fee at the time of entry. An exhibitor will not be considered entered into the Indiana State Fair until payment is made in full. Payment can be made online with a valid credit card. If you have any questions, please contact Indiana State Fair Program and Exhibits Manager – Ashleigh Burakiewicz (317.927-7540 or ab@indianastatefair.com).
4. **Entry Deadlines and Fees** – see below.

Enter online between June 1, 2015 – June 26, 2015

- Home Brew Division per class entry fee: \$10 per class entered
- Professional Brewery Division per entry fee: \$30 per class entered

5. No entries will be accepted after June 26, 2015 or sooner if the cap of 1,300 entries is reached (800 Home Brew and 500 Professional Brew). To ensure participation, do not wait until the last minute to register.
6. Entry fee for the Home Brewer is \$10.00 per beer (3 - 12 oz bottles per entry) and for the Professional entry fee is \$30.00 per beer (3 bottles/cans any size per entry) .
7. Entries will be accepted for BJCP categories 1-28.
8. Do not submit more than one per subcategory except for categories 16-E, 20, 21, 22 and 23. Example: It is NOT acceptable to enter two American Pale Ales, but it IS acceptable to enter one American Pale Ale and one American Amber Ale since these are in different subcategories of the American Pale Ales category. Multiple entries may be submitted in categories 16-E (Belgian Specialty Ale), 20 (Fruit Beers), 21 (Spice/Herb/Vegetable), 22 (Smoke flavored and Wood aged beers), and 23 (Specialty Beers).

Beer Delivery Procedure

1. Once online entry is completed, all registered beers must be delivered to Sun King between June 12, 2015 & June 27, 2015. Registered beers can be hand delivered during Sun King's business hours or shipped between the above dates.

Registered Beer Delivery

June 12th – June 27th
(Deliveries or shipments made prior to June 12th or after June 27th will NOT be accepted)

To ship entries:
 Sun King Brewery
 Attn: ISF Indiana Brewers' Cup
 135 N. College Ave.
 Indianapolis, IN 46202

For Business hours visit www.sunkingbrewery.com

2. **Entry Tags** – Entry Tags or Bottle ID Labels will be available at www.indianastatefair.com. Go to Competitions > Indiana Brewers' Cup > Online Entry link and log in to your account. In your account information you will find your Bottle ID Labels. Please print this document and attach the appropriate label to each bottle securely with a rubber band.

Classes and Class Descriptions

Home Brew Division

Home Brew Division Terms & Conditions:

1. Please read the Indiana State Fair, Indiana Brewers' Cup Department and Home Brew Division Terms and Conditions. It is the responsibility of the exhibitor to be familiar with and understand all terms and conditions concerning exhibition.
2. Entries may not be submitted that have been brewed on equipment used for any commercial purpose, including research, production, or brew-on premise establishments. Professional brewers cannot compete in the Home Brew division. To be eligible to compete as an Indiana Home Brew Club, 60% of the membership must reside in Indiana.
3. Assistant brewers of award winning beers will be announced and listed in official results, but prizes will be presented only to the primary brewer.
4. Entries must receive a minimum judge's score of 30 to be eligible for an award. First, second and third places will be awarded to the top three eligible entries in each flight. The first place winner in each flight will advance to the Home Brewer Class "Best of Show" round.
5. Each entry must consist of three (3) bottles, 12 ounces in volume, brown or green glass. The Brewers' Cup strives to ensure that all entries can be judged **ANONYMOUSLY** to ensure the integrity of blind judging. Entries must be completely free of paper labels (besides Bottle ID Labels) and/or inked brand-name lettering. Brewers are encouraged to use plain gold or silver caps. Obliterate any lettering or graphics on the cap with a permanent black marker. Remove any other markings on the bottle or cap which may allow the entrant to be identified. Bottles with Grolsch-type swing tops are not allowed. Corked bottles meeting the above restrictions are acceptable. Bottles with raised glass logos of common breweries (Sam Adams, Dogfish Head, etc) are acceptable, but any raised or engraved lettering or graphics identifying the entrant are not allowed. **Bottles that do not meet these requirements, or cannot be judged anonymously for any other reason, will be disqualified and will not be judged. There will be no refund of entry fees.**
6. To ensure the competition in general and the adjudication process in particular are managed in the most effective and efficient way possible,

the 2015 Indiana Brewers' Cup is limited to 800 Home Brew entries. The Indiana State Fair Commission reserves the right to alter these limits.

7. This competition is a Masters Championship of Amateur Brewing (MCAB) Qualifying Event and a participating member of the Midwest Home Brewer of the Year Competition.

Category: Light Lager

Class #	Class Description	Awards
01A	Light American Lager	1 st – 3 rd Rosettes
01B	Standard American Lager	
01C	Premium American Lager	
01D	Munich Helles	
01E	Dortmunder Export	

Category: Pilsner

Class #	Class Description	Awards
02A	German Pilsner (Pils)	1 st – 3 rd Rosettes
02B	Bohemian Pilsner	
02C	Classic American Pilsner	

Category: European Amber Lager

Class #	Class Description	Awards
03A	Vienna Lager	1 st – 3 rd Rosettes
03B	Oktoberfest/Märzen	

Category: Dark Lager

Class #	Class Description	Awards
04A	Dark American Lager	1 st – 3 rd Rosettes
04B	Munich Dunkel	
04C	Schwarzbier	

Category: Bock

Class #	Class Description	Awards
05A	Maibock/Helles Bock	1 st – 3 rd Rosettes
05B	Traditional Bock	
05C	Doppelbock	
05D	Eisbock	

Category: Light Hybrid Beer

Class #	Class Description	Awards
06A	Cream Ale	1 st – 3 rd Rosettes
06B	Blonde Ale	
06C	Kölsch	
06D	American Wheat or Rye Beer	

Category: Amber Hybrid Beer

Class #	Class Description	Awards
07A	North German Altbier	1 st – 3 rd Rosettes
07B	California Common Beer	
07C	Düsseldorf Altbier	

Category: English Pale Ale

Class #	Class Description	Awards
08A	Standard/Ordinary Bitter	1 st – 3 rd Rosettes
08B	Special/Best/Premium Bitter	
08C	Extra Special/Strong Bitter (English Pale Ale)	

Category: Scottish and Irish Ale

Class #	Class Description	Awards
09A	Scottish Light 60/-	1 st – 3 rd Rosettes
09B	Scottish Heavy 70/-	
09C	Scottish Export 80/-	
09D	Irish Red Ale	
09E	Strong Scotch Ale	

Category: American Ale

Class #	Class Description	Awards
10A	American Pale Ale	1 st – 3 rd Rosettes
10B	American Amber Ale	
10C	American Brown Ale	

Category: English Brown Ale

Class #	Class Description	Awards
11A	Mild	1 st – 3 rd Rosettes
11B	Southern English Brown Ale	
11C	Northern English Brown Ale	

Category: Porter

Class #	Class Description	Awards
12A	Brown Porter	1 st – 3 rd Rosettes
12B	Robust Porter	
12C	Baltic Porter	

Category: Stout

Class #	Class Description	Awards
13A	Dry Stout	1 st – 3 rd Rosettes
13B	Sweet Stout	
13C	Oatmeal Stout	
13D	Foreign Extra Stout	
13E	American Stout	
13F	Imperial Stout	

Category: India Pale Ale (IPA)

Class #	Class Description	Awards
14A	English IPA	1 st – 3 rd Rosettes
14B	American IPA	
14C	Imperial IPA	

Category: German Wheat and Rye Beer

Class #	Class Description	Awards
15A	Weizen/Weissbier	1 st – 3 rd Rosettes
15B	Dunkelweizen	
15C	Weizenbock	
15D	Roggenbier (German Rye Beer)	

Category: Belgian and French Ale

Class #	Class Description	Awards
16A	Witbier	1 st – 3 rd Rosettes
16B	Belgian Pale Ale	
16C	Saison	
16D	Bière de Garde	
16E	Belgian Specialty Ale	

Category: Sour Ale

Class #	Class Description	Awards
17A	Berliner Weisse	1 st – 3 rd Rosettes
17B	Flanders Red Ale	
17C	Flanders Brown Ale/Oud Bruin	
17D	Straight (Unblended) Lambic	
17E	Gueuze	
17F	Fruit Lambic	

Category: Belgian Strong Ale

Class #	Class Description	Awards
18A	Belgian Blonde Ale	1 st – 3 rd Rosettes
18B	Belgian Dubbel	
18C	Belgian Tripel	
18D	Belgian Golden Strong Ale	
18E	Belgian Dark Strong Ale	

Category: Strong Ale

Class #	Class Description	Awards
19A	Old Ale	1 st – 3 rd Rosettes
19B	English Barleywine	
19C	American Barleywine	

Category: Fruit Beer

Class #	Class Description	Awards
20A	Fruit Beer	1 st – 3 rd Rosettes

Category: Spice/Herb/Vegetable Beer

Class #	Class Description	Awards
21A	Spice, Herb, or Vegetable beer	1 st – 3 rd Rosettes
21B	Christmas/Winter Specialty Spiced Beer	

Category: Smoke-Flavored & Wood-Aged Beer

Class #	Class Description	Awards
22A	Classic Rauchbier	1 st – 3 rd Rosettes
22B	Other Smoked Beer	
22C	Wood-Aged Beer	

Category: Specialty Beer

Class #	Class Description	Awards
23A	Specialty Beer	1 st – 3 rd Rosettes

Category: Traditional Mead

Class #	Class Description	Awards
24A	Dry Mead	1 st – 3 rd Rosettes
24B	Semi-sweet Mead	
24C	Sweet Mead	

Category: Melomel

Class #	Class Description	Awards
25A	Cyser	1 st – 3 rd Rosettes
25B	Pymment	
25C	Other Melomel	

Category: Other Mead

Class #	Class Description	Awards
26A	Metheglin	1 st – 3 rd Rosettes
26B	Braggot	
26C	Open	

Category: Standard Cider and Perry

Class #	Class Description	Awards
27A	Common Cider	1 st – 3 rd Rosettes
27B	English Cider	
27C	French Cider	
27D	Common Perry	
27E	Traditional Perry	

Category: Specialty Cider and Perry

Class #	Class Description	Awards
28A	New England Cider	1 st – 3 rd Rosettes
28B	Fruit Cider	
28C	Applewine	
28D	Other Specialty Cider/Perry	

Home Brew Division Awards:

BEST OF SHOW

- Winner will receive a trophy and have the opportunity to brew winning recipe at Broad Ripple Brew Pub.

HOME BREW CLUB OF THE YEAR

- A traveling trophy will be presented to the Indiana Home Brew Club which earns the most points in the 2015 Indiana Brewers' Cup. Home Brew Club entrants must declare club affiliation on entry form.

BILL FRIDAY CLUB AWARD

- A traveling trophy will be presented to the Indiana Home Brew Club which scores the highest average number of points per entry in the 2015 Brewers' Cup. The average for each club will be determined by dividing the total number of points scored by the total number of club entries. To be eligible for this award, clubs must meet the requirements (defined in Rule #2) to compete as an Indiana Home Brew Club, have a minimum of 5 club members entering the competition, and submit a minimum of 15 total entries. Home Brew Club entrants must declare club affiliation on entry form.

INDIANA HOME BREWER OF THE YEAR

- Home Brewer of the Year Trophy and Blichmann Boilermaker Brewpot

Home Brew Scoring:

Best of Show, 3 points

First Place, 3 points

Second Place, 2 points

Third Place, 1 point

- In the event of a tie, the Indiana Homebrewer of the Year will be awarded to the brewer in the tie who earned the most first place awards. Best of Show awards are not included for the purposes of the tie-breaker.
- If there is a tie among the first place awards, then the brewer in the tie with the most second place awards will be awarded Indiana Homebrewer of the Year.
- If there is a tie among the second place awards, then the brewer in the tie with the most third place awards will be awarded Indiana Homebrewer of the Year.
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Professional Brew Division

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2. Contest is open to all commercial brewers.
3. Each entry must consist of three (3) samples, in any size bottles/cans. Labeled bottles/cans are acceptable.
4. Professional class judging will be conducted by teams of qualified judges, including Beer Judge Certification Program judges, experienced competition judges and professional brewers. Participating beer judges may submit entries, but may not judge the flights that include or impact their own entries. Entries must score a minimum of 30 points to be eligible for an award. Gold, Silver, Bronze medals will be awarded to eligible first, second and third place winners in a flight. Gold medal winners will advance to the "Best of Show" round.
5. Only Gold, Silver, & Bronze winners will be listed. A list of all entrants will not be released.
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Professional Brew Division Awards:**BEST OF SHOW**

- The winner will receive a trophy and have the opportunity to have their beer served on tap at the Indiana State Fair in the Beer and Wine Exhibit.

INDIANA BREWERY OF THE YEAR

- The Indiana Brewery of the Year is presented by the Brewers of Indiana Guild to the Indiana brewery that earns the most points in the Indiana State Fair Brewers' Cup Competition. While unlimited entries are allowed and encouraged, only 12 entries will count towards the Indiana Brewery of the Year. The first 12 beers listed on the brewery's entry form will be the 12 beers that are eligible to score points towards the Indiana Brewery of the Year. Please choose carefully and be sure to prioritize the entries accordingly. The 12 beers an Indiana brewery wishes to be scored for the Indiana Brewery of the Year should be the first 12 beers the brewery enters into the form. If a brewery enters fewer than 12 beers all of the brewery's entries will be eligible to score points toward the Indiana Brewery of the Year. The winner will receive a trophy for the year, a banner to hang in their brewery and have the opportunity to have their beer served on tap at the Indiana State Fair Beer and Wine Exhibit.

GRAND CHAMPION BREWER AWARD

- The Grand Champion Brewery Award is presented to the competing brewery, regardless of location, that earns the most points in the Indiana State Fair Brewers' Cup Competition. While unlimited entries are allowed and encouraged, only 12 entries will count towards the Grand Champion Brewery Award. The first 12 beers listed on the brewery's entry form will be the 12 beers that are eligible to score points towards the Grand Champion Brewery Award. Please choose carefully and be sure to prioritize the entries accordingly. The 12 beers a competing brewery wishes to be scored for the Grand Champion Brewery Award should be the first 12 beers the brewery enters into the form. If a brewery enters fewer than 12 beers all of the brewery's entries will be eligible to score points toward the Grand Champion Brewery Award. The winner will receive a trophy.

Professional Brew Scoring:

Best of Show, 3 points

First Place, 3 points

Second Place, 2 points

Third Place, 1 point

- In the event of a tie, the Brewery of the Year will be awarded to the brewery in the tie who earned the most first place awards that were awarded to eligible beers. Best of Show awards are not included for the purposes of the tie-breaker.
- If there is a tie among the eligible first place awards, then the brewery in the tie with the most second place awards that were awarded to eligible beers will be awarded Brewery of the Year.
- If there is a tie among the second place awards, then the brewery in the tie with the most third place awards that were awarded to eligible beers will be awarded Brewery of the Year.
- If there is a tie among third place awards, then the final tie-breaker will be determined by the brewery with the highest percentage of winning eligible entries. This will be determined on a per-brewery basis by dividing the number of awards won by eligible beers by the number of total entries.